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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD SUBJECT: Draft Minutes of the 2 May USB Meeting

The attached draft minutes of the 2 May Intelligence Board meeting will be considered at the 9 May Board meeting. A Special Annex to these draft minutes is being circulated through special channels.

Acting Executive Secretary

Attachment

(This cover memorandum may be downgraded to CONFIDENTIAL when separated from the attachment.)

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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

Minutes of
Two-hundred-twelfth Meeting
United States Intelligence Board
USIB Conference Room
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1030 hours, 2 May 1962

Director of Central Intelligence John A. McCone Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Lieutenant General Marshall S. Carter, Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
- Mr. Thomas Hughes, acting for Director of Intelligence and Research, Department of State
- Lieutenant General William W. Quinn, acting for Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
- Major General Charles F. Leonard, acting for Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Department of the Army
- Rear Admiral Harold G. Bowen, Jr., acting for Assistant Chief of Naval Operations (Intelligence), Department of the Navy
- Major General Robert A. Breitweiser, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, United States Air Force
- Dr. Louis W. Tordella, Acting Director, National Security Agency Major General Richard Collins, Director for Intelligence, Joint Staff Mr. Harry S. Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative to
- Mr. Alan Belmont, Federal Bureau of Investigation representative to

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1. Announcement by Chairman re SIGINT Committee

Mr. McCone informed the members that actions to disestablish the COMINT and ELINT Committees and to establish the new SIGINT Committee as their replacement had been completed. He expressed appreciation for the excellence of the work accomplished by the two Committees over an extended period of time, noting particularly the effectiveness of the Chairmen.

Mr. McCone advised further that has assumed the duties of full-time Chairman of the SIGINT Committee, and that he has done so at considerable personal sacrifice -- an act that deserves the highest commendation.

2. Promotions of General Leonard and General Wynne

The Chairman congratulated General Leonard, alternate Army member of the Board, on his promotion to Major General, AUS, and General Wynne, Director, Warning and Threat Assessments, AFCIN, on his promotion to Brigadier General, USAF.

3. Approval of Minutes 25 April Meeting (USIB-M-211, including Annex distributed through special channels)

Approved as circulated, including the Special Annex.

4. Special Item

(This item is carried in a Special Annex to these minutes.)

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- 5. Situation Review
 - a. Watch Committee Report No. 613

Approved.

b. Weekly Survey of Cold War Crisis Situations, No. 18-62 (Memorandum for USIB, 1 May)

Approved as amended.

6. Initiation of Estimate on Congo

Mr. Kent and Mr. Hughes advised the members about a State Department request for a special estimate on the situation in the Congo, particularly with respect to problems regarding integration of Katanga, and the Board concurred in initiation of this estimate. It was agreed in this connection that the paper should be developed by the Board of National Estimates on the basis of oral contributions and coordinated with the USIB representatives for submission to the Intelligence Board probably at its 16 May meeting.

*Holders of USB-D-38.5/19, 24 April, are requested to make this Boardapproved change in copies of the document as originally distributed to them.

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8. Proposal for Reconvening of USIB
Ad Hoc Panel on the Status of the
Soviet ICBM Program
(USIB-D-33.8/5, 24 April)

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Concurred in the reconstitution and reconvening of the USIB Ad Hoc Panel on the Status of the Soviet ICBM Program (Hyland Panel) as proposed by General Carter in his memorandum of 21 April (USIB-D-33.8/5), subject to modification of the text of "related problem" 3 in attachment thereto to read:

"3. Characteristics of future systems, including penetration aids, anti-BMEWS techniques, extended range ballistic missiles, and orbital and suborbital bombardment systems."*

The members also concurred in the Chairman's suggestion that DIA in consultation with should work out the manner and form in which SAC views regarding the Soviet missile program would be presented to the Panel.

*Holders of USIB-D-33.8/5 are requested to make this Board-approved change in copies of the document previously circulated to them. As a technical correction, holders are also requested to change the designation and address of General Estes in Attachment 2, as follows: "Lieutenant General Howell W. Estes, Deputy Commander, Air Force Systems Command, for Aerospace Systems, Air Force Systems Command, Inglewood, California."

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9. Release of NIE 13-2-62
Chinese Communist Advanced
Weapons Capabilities
(Memorandum for USIB, 30 April)

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- b. Agreed to release this estimate and its Special Annex to the Director, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).
- c. Agreed, as a modification of the action recorded in item 8.c. of the minutes of the 25 April meeting (USIB-M-211), not to release this estimate (and Annex) to USIA. However, the Board agreed that the paper, including its Annex, should be furnished to the Director, USIA, for his personal review and it was understood that Mr. Hughes or Mr. Hilsman would make a copy available to Mr. Murrow for that purpose.*

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10. NIE 11-9-62

Trends in Soviet Foreign Policy (USIB-M-211, item 7)

- a. Approved as amended.
- b. No member raised objection to the release of this estimate to USIA.

^{*} Recipients and holders of USIB-M-211 are requested to annotate item 8.c. therein to indicate or reference this subsequent Board action regarding release of NIE 13-2-62 to USIA.

11. NIE 13-4-62

Prospects for Communist China

- a. Approved as amended.
- b. No member raised objection to the release of this estimate to USIA.

12. Rescheduling of

Soviet Estimates

(Memorandum for USIB

representatives, 27 April)

After discussion, including in restricted session later in the meeting (item 16), of ONE proposals with respect to the scheduling of Soviet military estimates (see reference), the Board agreed that 27 June should be retained as the target date for submission of NIE 11-8-62 to USIB although it was understood that preparation of the paper might be delayed an additional week. It was also understood, as a consequence of this action, that the target dates for completion of NIE 11-3-62 and NIE 11-1-62 would remain subject to further adjustment but would necessarily be shifted beyond the respective dates proposed, i.e., 13 June and 27 June.

13. Discussion Regarding

Scope of NIE 11-8-62

(Memorandum for USIB, 30 April)

After an exchange of views on a question regarding the scope of NIE 11-8-62, "Soviet Capabilities for Long Range Attack", which had been raised by DIA, it was agreed that the paper should, as in the past, cover the next five year period. It was understood in this connection that Mr. McCone would consult with the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) concerning the form and time period of a supplemental estimate on 'long range attack" required by the Department of Defense.

14. Report by Dr. Tordella

(This item is carried in the Special Annex to these minutes.)

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15. Special Item

(This item is carried in the Special Annex to these minutes.)

16. Report by Mr. Traynor

In executive session Mr. Traynor referred to a matter discussed at the USIB meeting on 7 December 1961 (Supplement to Item 2 of USIB-M-188, 7 December 1961, Limited Distribution) and reported on the status of a related investigation being conducted by the AEC and several other interested agencies. He indicated that a report would soon be made to the President.

Adjournment: 1205

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SECRETARY'S NOTE

All Board members having advised the Secretariat, either on or before 30 April, of their concurrence in a proposal for downgrading of certain materials set forth in COMOR-D-24/11, 6 April, we consider that USIB approved this downgrading action on 30 April.

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